

SENATE BILL NO. 451

INTRODUCED BY R. JOHNSON

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ELIMINATING THE REQUIREMENT THAT AN OPERATOR OF A CERTAIN KIND OF BICYCLE MUST HAVE A DRIVER'S LICENSE; AND AMENDING SECTION 61-5-102, MCA."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 61-5-102, MCA, is amended to read:

"61-5-102. Drivers to be licensed. (1) Except as provided in 61-5-104, a person may not drive a motor vehicle upon a highway in this state unless the person has a valid Montana driver's license. A person may not receive a Montana driver's license until the person surrenders to the department all valid driver's licenses issued by any other jurisdiction. A person may not have in the person's possession or under the person's control more than one valid Montana driver's license at any time.

(2) (a) A license is not valid for the operation of a motorcycle or quadricycle unless the holder of the license has completed the requirements of 61-5-110 and the license has been clearly marked with the words "motorcycle endorsement". A motorcycle endorsement is required for the operation of a quadricycle.

(b) A license is not valid for the operation of a commercial vehicle unless the holder of the license has completed the requirements of 61-5-110 and the license has been clearly marked with the words "commercial driver's license".

(3) When a city or town requires a licensed driver to obtain a local driving license or permit, a license or permit may not be issued unless the applicant presents a state driver's license valid under the provisions of this chapter.

~~(4) A person operating a bicycle defined in 61-1-123(2) must have in the person's possession at all times when operating the bicycle a valid Montana driver's license."~~

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